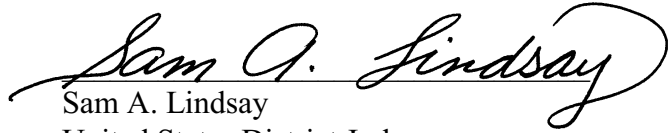


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the court **refers** all pretrial matters to him.¹ Judge Hale shall notify the court when the case is ready for trial, which may or may not proceed as currently scheduled the week of February 4, 2019, given the court's congested docket.²

It is so ordered this 7th day of November, 2018.


Sam A. Lindsay
United States District Judge

¹ The bankruptcy court's Report and Recommendation indicates that the Adversary Proceeding involves core and non-core matters, and the parties do not consent to the entry of a final judgment by the bankruptcy court regarding non-core matters. The court's withdrawal of the reference in this case does not affect the bankruptcy court's authority to hear any core matters for which the bankruptcy judge can "hear and determine" and "enter appropriate orders and judgments." *Wellness Int'l Network, Ltd. v. Sharif*, 135 S. Ct. 1932, 1940 (2015) (quoting 28 U.S.C. § 157(b)(1)). For any non-core matters, the bankruptcy court shall handle all pretrial management matters by determining all nondispositive motions, pending or prospective, and issuing findings of fact, conclusions of law, and recommendations for any dispositive motions. *Wellness*, 135 S. Ct. at 1940 (quoting § 157(c)(1)). Further, all other pretrial matters, including scheduling and alternative dispute resolution, are referred to the bankruptcy court for appropriate action consistent with applicable law.

² All civil trial settings are subject to the priority of criminal trials established by the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 3161-3174.